

Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Development

Trade and Investment Opportunities in the Agriculture Sector

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Agricultural Potential

- **Agricultural land: 577.000 Ha.**
(44 % crops, 35 % pasture, 17 % meadow, 2 % vineyards, 2 % orchards).
 - Around 12.4 % is social ownership.
 - The average area for an agricultural family is estimated around 2.2-2.4 ha.
- **Forests: 450.000 ha**
 - Around 65 % is public ownership.

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- Cattle: 238.857/stocks
- Milking cows 150.000 stocks
- Small animals:106.657/stocks
- Swine: 53222 stocks
- Horses: 12.261/stocks
- Poultry: 2.050.000/
- Bee skep: 45.000

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- The last agricultural census was done in 1961
- Kosovo has around 2.0 million inhabitants,
- Around 60 % live in rural areas,
- The no. of households is estimated as 160-180.000 families,

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- In rural areas a family has on the average of 9 members,
- The average of a Kosovo family is around 6,8 members
- Participation of agriculture in GDP is estimated around 25- 27.4 %,
- Over 30 % of the requirements of Kosovo population for agricultural products are provided by domestic product with a tendency for increment in proportion with imported products

Agro-processing Capacities

- Wheat:
Technical capacities of mills: 1.648.773 t/year. Exploited capacities: 577.070 t/year
- The food concentrated for animals:
Technical capacities: 110.000 t/year.
- Capacity exploitation is 12 %, due to the high price of raw material and the import with a low price .

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- Milk production: 268.500 t/year , technical processing capacities: 59.422 T/year,
- The requirements of citizens for milk are around 342.000 t/year.
- Meat production: 22.000 t/year, whereas the requirements of citizens are 45.000 t,
- Egg production: 269 mill/year, whereas the requirements are around 315.million,
- Due to the lack of processing capacities, the productivity of broilers does not exist in Kosovo, whereas the requirements are around 60.000 t.

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- Wines:
- Processing capacities in Kosovo are 1.045.200 hl.
- In the two recent years has started the processing capacity building in private sector, but due to the lack of investments this activity decelerated,
- Wine stocks: 21.500.000 Liters,
- Beverages: 1.035.000 hl/year, installed capacity,
- Beer: Technical capacities are 334.560 hl/year. These capacities are exploited around 90 %,
- The malt of beer, capacity 20,000 t/year. Exploited 80 %

Import

- In 2003 the overall import in Kosovo was around 1 billion Euro, the participation of agric. products was over 25 %,
- Agricultural products: 211.119.937 € (2003),
- Live animals, products of animal origin: 1.29 %,
- Plant production: 22.9 %,
- Oils of animal or plant origin: 2.52 %
- Prepared food, alcoholic drinks, non-alcoholic drinks and tobacco: 73.15 % ,
- Skin and goods made of skin: 0.05 %

Export

- In 2003 the overall export of Kosovo was 37.245.000 Euro.
- The export of agricultural products was: 5.392.170 €, or 17 % of export
- Food stuff: 44.6 %
- Wine: 35.48 %
- Wood products: 19.96 %

Priorities

- Establishment and development of legal infrastructure
- Adequate developing policies in agriculture and agribusiness
- Improvement of trade and fiscal policies
- Create conditions in order to subsidize important agricultural products.
- Substitution of import products with local products
- Kosovo Food Safety Agency
- Work in order to establish agricultural LAP –and ensure its protection
- Participate in the creation of policies for the privatization of SOE-s. agricultural and forest lands
- **Create convenient conditions for direct investments for farmers and agro-processors**

Investment opportunities by sub sectors

- **Sub sector of livestock:**
 - Milk production and processing, and milk products
 - Meat production and the processing of meat products
 - Equipment for commercial farms and other necessary equipment for livestock,
 - Processing of cattle skin and other animals as well,

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- **Sub sector of horticulture**

- Putting-up plantation with fruits, vineyards and vegetable
- Production of seedling
- Putting-up greenhouses for small vegetables and fruits. Vegetable production in greenhouses/cover-up the season with these products.

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- Construction of facilities for fruit-vegetable processing
- Construction of facilities for refrigeration and conservation
- Reconstruction and modernization of existing capacities



Thank you for your attention!